REMARKS

Claims 27-48 are currently pending in the application. In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Group III, without traverse. By this amendment, claims 1-26 and 49-56 are canceled.

The Examiner is requested to begin examination on the merits. Applicants hereby make a written conditional petition for extension of time, if required. Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 23-1951.

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